Lake Mead

National Recreation Area

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Discover...

Lake Mead National Recreation Area on South Lake Mohave

If you are exploring Lake Mead National Recreation Area by way of Laughlin, Nevada and Bullhead City, Arizona here are some special places to discover.

Campgrounds

Bring the RV or a tent to camp out at Katherine Landing or Cottonwood Cove. Both campgrounds are on a first comefirst served basis.

Fisherman's Trail

Enjoy majestic views of the surrounding mountains and Colorado River as you hike along the shoreline. The trailhead is next to the boat rental and repair shop. Follow the southern outline of the harbor. Look for water birds such as the majestic great blue heron.

Grapevine Canyon

A moderate stroll from the parking lot will reward you with views of spectacular petroglyphs etched high up on the rocks of the canyon. The natural spring and plant life on the floor of the canyon attract wildlife. Restrooms are available.

Christmas Tree Pass

Flanked by two wilderness areas, Spirit Mountain and Bridge Canyon, Christmas Tree Pass winds through scenic granite peaks. The road is unpaved but maintaned. The route crosses both National Park Service and Bureau of Land Management lands.

Spirit Mountain is a sacred area to the Native Americans (Yuman speaking tribes) and is believed to be their people's birthplace. Please respect this sacred area.

Pipe Spring

Located off of Christmas Tree Pass and surrounded by Spirit Mountain Wilderness is a remote stretch of road with amazing hiking opportunities. Looking south is the 'back side' of Grapevine Canyon; large granite spires marching across the landscape.

Katherine Landing

A full-service marina, restaurant, shopping, campground and motel will make your visit complete. Come play in the land of abundant sunshine.

Cottonwood Cove

Conveniently located on the Colorado River within Lake Mead National Recreation Area and just a short drive from Laughlin, Nevada and Bullhead City, Arizona, Cottonwood Cove Resort and Marina has it all.

Lake Mohave is the perfect place to rent a houseboat, with more

than 230 miles of shoreline and many secluded coves there is plenty of space for everyone!

Enjoy a full-service marina, RV park, campgrounds, restaurant, shopping, lake front motel and houseboat rentals.

Princess Cove

Shaded picnic area, launch ramp, restrooms and an emergency phone are all located at Princess Cove on Lake Mohave. Located on the Arizona side of Lake Mohave and north of Katherine Landing the cove is a great location to start exploring Lake Mohave.

Please practice these safety tips while discovering Lake Mead National Recreation Area:

- Carry and drink water
- Take a buddy
- Leave an itinerary
- Protect yourself from sun, thorns and wildlife
- Wear sturdy shoes
- Don't rely on cell service
- Don't hike in the summer

